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C O N F I D E N T I A L BEIRUT 1921

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PEPR, PBOR, LE

SUBJ: SOUTH LEBANON: RETURN OF REFUGEES

REF: (A) TEL AVIV 4509, (B) BEIRUT 1866

1. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED. LEREVEIL REPORTED ON APRIL 5 THAT IDF AT AIN BAAL MAINLY OCCUPIED WITH CHECKING REFUGEES AND VEHICLES. IN SOME SIX HOURS, ACCORDING TO AN ISRAELI SERGEANT, OVER 100 VEHICLES AND LOADED TRUCKS CROSSED THE LINE. INSPECTIONS ARE TIME-CONSUMING AND METICULOUS AND BY EARLY AFTERNOON A LONG LINE OF VEHICLES COULD BE SEEN, TRANSPORTING WOMEN, CHILDREN, OLD PEOPLE, MEN AND FULLY LOADED WITH INNUMERABLE BUNDLES. END UNCLASSIFIED.

2. BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL. SUBSTANCE OF REF (A) DISCUSSED ON APRIL 5 WITH UN SECY GENL'S SPEC REP, WHO LIKEWISE UNABLE CONFIRM THAT "POLICY" IN FORCE. UNIFIL HUMANITARIAN SECTION CHIEF COL. PECK, STATIONED NAKOURA, IS WATCHING CONFIDENTIAL

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SITUATION, BUT HAS ONLY RECEIVED INFO AFTER FACT. SAME APPLIES TO WFP SENIOR ADVISOR. TALES RANGE FROM THAT TOLD ABOVE TO OTHER EXTREME IN WHICH RETURNEE ALLOWED TO PASS FOR AN HOUR, INSPECT HOME AND RETURN, PRESUMABLY TO BRIEF FAMILY AT TEMPORARY LOCATION.

3. IN TYRE, ACCORDING SAME UN CONTACT, IRAQI MEDICAL

TEAM HAS TAKEN OVER OPERATION OF GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL, ADMIN-  
ISTRATOR LEFT FOR SIDON. HOSPITAL GROUNDS AND IMMEDIATE  
VICINITY REPORTEDLY FILLED WITH PALESTINIANS. MIN HEALTH  
IN QUANDARY. UNRWA EXPECTED TO HAVE TEAMS IN TYRE VICINITY ON APRIL  
5 TO CONFIRM NUMBERS OF REGISTERED PALESTINIANS WHO HAVE  
RETURNED. PALESTINIAN OFFICIAL REPORTEDLY TOLD UNRWA THAT  
"BY WEEKEND THERE WILL BE NO COMPLAINTS IN BEIRUT ABOUT  
OUR PRESENCE THERE." VISUAL OBSERVATIONS BY WFP ADVISOR  
PRODUCED ESTIMATE THAT PERHAPS ONE-THIRD OF PALESTINIANS  
WHO LEFT DAMOUR HAVE RETURNED. ALL PALESTINIAN MOVEMENT  
IN RESPONSE TO PRESSURE MENTIONED IN REF (B).

4. UNRWA TOLD UNDP THAT GOL HIGH RELIEF COMMITTEE  
RELEASED 500 TENTS FOR USE BY PALESTINIANS. NO FURTHER  
DETAILS WERE KNOWN. END CONFIDENTIAL. PARKER

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